

when the sender of the message is determined to be authorized, indicating that the message is from an authorized sender; and

when the sender of the message is determined to be not authorized, storing the message in a pre-designated location for messages sent by unauthorized senders.

sub F1 8. (Amended) The method of claim 5 wherein the message is an electronic mail message and the pre-designated location is a folder.

sub F1 17. (Amended) The method of claim 5 further comprising forwarding the message from an unauthorized user to another user.

sub F1 20. (Amended) An electronic mail system comprising:
a receiving component that receives electronic mail messages that include the identification of the sender of the electronic mail message;
an authorized sender list having the identification of senders who are authorized to send electronic mail messages; and
an authorization component that forwards electronic mail messages from the receiving component and that forwards the electronic mail messages to a predetermined folder when the identification of the sender of the forwarded electronic mail message is not in the authorized sender list.

sub F1 23. (Amended) The system of claim 20 wherein the predetermined folder comprises a junk mail folder.